

RC Garnett



RC Garnett Elementary School Newsletter

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Well our wonderful Summer weather is behind us and our usual wet and blustery Fall weather has arrived. Please note that we like to send students outside for their play period on most days regardless of weather, so please send them to school as prepared as you can for the weather expected. On occasion we do keep students inside when it is really awful, but we try and ensure they get some needed fresh air.

As Halloween is upon us, we look forward to seeing many families at tonight's PAC Halloween Dance starting at 6:30. Its been three years since the last one so it should be a great event. Thanks to our PAC and all the other parents who have helped out.

Monday is a school Spirit Day and our annual Costume/Dress up day. Students are welcome to dress in their Halloween costume or just in festive colours. If students do come to school in costume, however they must be appropriate for school. Please, no toy weapons, inappropriate themes, or excessive gore. We look forward to an exciting and fun day.

School Closure Information

The Fraser Valley has unique winters and each year there is the possibility of a significant snowfall. It is difficult to predict the kind or amount of snowfall, even within Langley conditions may vary significantly. In rare cases, a school or all schools in Langley School District may be closed due to extreme weather conditions, power failure or other emergency conditions. If it is necessary to close schools, a public announcement will be made. Please check the following radio stations.

CKWX 1130 AM

CKNW 980 AM

In all cases parents should use their discretion when determining whether to send their children to school in inclement weather or emergency conditions.

Parking Lot

Our parking Lot continues to be a busy place at drop off and pick times. We ask that you not use the staff parking as we do not have enough spaces for our current staff and at the end of the day it is important that parents not use this area as a bypass to the regular traffic flow. Please follow the signs and avoid coned off areas at all times. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Upcoming Dates

October

28th – PAC Halloween Dance

28th – Photo re-take day

31st – Hot Lunch order deadline

31st - Spirit Day – Costumes!

31st – Hot Lunch Order Deadline

November

8th – Hot Lunch

11th – Remembrance Day - No school

18th - Design and Assessment/Report

Card prep day – No students

21st - PAC Meeting

22nd – Hot Lunch (PAC)

Communication with the School

In our very busy daily lives it is difficult to keep up with all the events and tasks that occur, especially with the events and calendar of our school. We try very hard to keep everyone informed. Information comes home in various ways:

- School newsletter (e-mailed)
- Weekly emails
- School website – updated regularly (Newsletters etc.)
- PAC Facebook page
Look up RC Garnett Elementary PAC
- School Instagram
- Fridge Magnet with calendar dates (coming soon)

Please check these regularly for information. On occasion, dates and times do change.

New Option to Access MyEDBC using your BC Services Card

*On Monday, October 17, the Ministry of Education and Child Care together with Service BC is providing another option for students and parents/guardians to access MyEDBC. This new option enables students and families to link their BC Services Card Mobile Phone App to their MyEDBC account. By choosing this new method, all you would need is your BC Services Card Mobile Phone App to log into MyEDBC at any time. If a student or parent/guardian chooses this method, they will be able to go back to the old login method but will require assistance from District MyEDBC support staff. **Moving forward with choosing this new option means that you will never need a username and password.***

The old method of using a username and password to login to My EDDBC will remain the same. There may be some students and families who do not want to use the new login

8 Ways to Integrate Reading into Everyday Life

Word Collages^[SEP] Cut up magazines and catalogs with your child and have him make a collage that uses the words on the page. Encourage him to use words in creative ways — make a cloud out of words like "fluffy" or put word "thoughts" into a person's head.

Greeting Card Creator^[SEP] Encourage your child to make her own birthday, holiday, thank-you, and "just because" cards to give to friends and family. Challenge them to come up with their own "brand" and funny messages.

Make a Word Ladder^[SEP] When you're in the car, play this game: start with a small word (like "to") and challenge your child to make new ones by adding one letter at a time. So add an "n" to "to" and it becomes "ton." "Ton" plus an "e" equals "tone"; add an "s" and it becomes stone!

Letter Search^[SEP] Take a page from a magazine or newspaper and ask your child to circle every occurrence of a letter. To make it more challenging, tell them to circle only lowercase or uppercase.

Secret Word^[SEP] Every day, teach your child a new word and then if he reads or hears that word all day, they get a "prize." If you're not around when they hear it, encourage them to "prove" they heard it by retelling you the sentence — which reinforces the word's meaning in context. If daily secret words seem too much, make it a weekly event.

Lots of Lists^[SEP] Encourage your child to write down lists, from "to do" lists to things they've done. They can even create a journal entirely made of lists — favorite songs, foods, words, people, and places.

What's Cooking? Having your child help read recipes and measure ingredients while you're preparing a meal is a great way to build measurement and food vocabulary. It also helps them learn how to read and follow directions.

Make Up a New Song^[SEP] Build your child's sense of rhythm and encourage creativity through language by coming up with new lyrics for a familiar song, such as "Row, Row, Row Your Boat" or "Jingle Bells."

Responsible

Respectful



Kind

Safe